

Chatillon and Langres, and rejoined the Regiment on July 14th, 1918. Each Officer in the detachment made an enviable record at the schools.

After arriving in France this special detachment was assigned to special training duty with the French Army.

On July 21st, 1918, Lieutenant Field was attached to the 2nd British Corps Headquarters as Liaison Officer, relieving Captain Frederick D. Stafford.

On August 17th, Field rejoined his Company, the Regiment having been ordered into line. In the meantime the Regiment received thorough training following its arrival at the training area in France on June 18, 1918. Then began the period of intensive preparation, extending from June 19th to June 30th, the work varying from ordinary military activities to engineer instruction. On July 1st a two day march begun which brought the Regiment to the city of Arques. That night the men were the victim of their first air raid, without casualties however. At the end of the next day's march the 1st battalion camped at the village of Terdeghem and the 2nd battalion at Bavin Chove and Oxel Aere. These points were fairly close to the actual front line as the Regiment was under enemy artillery fire that night.

The next ten days, July 1st to July 10th, were spent in this area—Winnezeele, which was in the second line of defense. The regiment was engaged in actual construction work and further drill in training, in preparation for first line duty, which was soon to come.

On July 11th the regiment was attached to the 33rd, 34th and 49th British divisions in the front line,